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1. The Szczecinska Stocznia Remontowa (Szczecin Repair Shipyard) yard occupies the whole of Gorna-Okretowa Island in the port of Szczecin. The yard is being enlarged and reconstructed for the needs of the growing Polish Merchant Marine and for Soviet requirements. Quays and warehouses which have not been in use for some time are now being repaired. Two halls and a boiler house are under construction at the moment. (See nos 10 and 5 of attached sketch). More halls and warehouses are to be built. 25X1
2. The yard has two floating docks. One for vessels of up to 3,000 tons (No. 2 of sketch) and the other for vessels of up to 600 tons (No. 1 of sketch). The 600-ton floating dock is used for refits of naval landing craft based in various small ports such as Kolobrzeg (N 54-11, E 15-35) and Ustka (N 54-35, E 16-51).
3. Machine tools are mostly of Polish make and are supplied by the following: 25X1
 - a. Pruszkowska Fabryka Obrabiarek at Pruszkow.¹(Pruszkow Machine Tool Factory).
 - b. Poznanska Fabryka Obrabiarek at Poznan. (Poznan Machine Tool Factory).
 - c. Panstwowy Zaklady Budowy Maszyn, Huta Zgoda, at Swietochlowice (N 50-17, E 18-55) (State Machine Construction Works).

In the opinion of the management, the quality of Polish machine tools is much higher than that of Soviet ones.

4. The yard has a "metallization by injection" section which is known as the "special" section to which access is strictly forbidden without special passes.
5. a. The management is of the opinion that, at present, refits take much too long. A refit which should normally be completed in 14 days takes up to three months. The main reasons for this are the priority given to refits of Soviet vessels and the low output of the Polish workers (or, as the management puts it: "The worker does just enough to avoid arrest for sabotage or negligence").

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5. b. The low output is explained by lack of interest in results, principally due to low wages. Moreover, the average worker considers every refit of a Soviet vessel as additional proof of Soviet exploitation of Polish resources. The output of the Communist worker does not differ materially from that of his non-Party counterpart, the only difference is that the Communist avoids punishment by pleading work carried out on behalf of the Party, Trade Union activities, Party meetings, etc. All "pledges" for higher production remain a dead letter and the workers only agree to them under pressure. Another factor which is beginning to make itself felt is that the average worker is undernourished. There is a shortage of meat, sausages, and butter in the shops, and queues begin to form as early as 4 a.m., often in vain. Black market food prices are so high that the average worker with no "illicit" income cannot afford them.

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Sketch of Szczecinska Stocznia Remontowa, Górna-Okretowa Island

Administration building of
Szczecinska Stocznia
Remontowa